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<u>Amendments to the Claims:</u> This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application

Listing of Claims:

1. (Previously Presented) A chewable flavor delivery system comprising in combination:

a carrier consisting of an edible cellulosic plant material being 100% cabbage leaves prepared by one of, forming into strands or in grannular form dried to a moisture content of at or below 8% by weight, said cabbage leaves having at least 30% intact cell walls;

a water soluble but not water containing flavoring ingredient in liquid form and capable of entering intact cell walls of said cabbage leaves; and

an effective amount of a food safe humectant.

- 2. (Original) A delivery system according to claim 1, wherein said cellulosic plant material is formed into strands.
- 3. (Original) A delivery system according to claim 1, wherein said cellulosic material is in a granular form.
- 4. (Previously Presented) A delivery system according to claim 1, wherein said grannular cabbage leaves are sized to pass a 16 mesh and be retained on a 30 mesh screen of a U.S. Standard Sieve Series of screens.
- 5. (Previously Presented) A delivery system according to claim 4, wherein said grannular cabbage leaves are sized to pass a 16 mesh screen and be retained on a 20 mesh screen.
- 6. (Previously Presented) A delivery system according to claim 4, wherein said grannular cabbage leaves are sized to pass a 20 mesh screen and be retained on a 30 mesh screen.
- 7. (Original) A delivery system according to claim 1, wherein said humectant is selected from the group consisting of propylene glycol and glycerin.
- 8. (Original) A delivery system according to claim 1, including a minor amount of a sweetening agent.
- 9. (Previously Presented) A delivery system according to claim 1, wherein said cabbage leaves are freeze dried green cabbage classified as Brassica oleracea capitata.
 - 10. (Cancelled)
 - 11. (Cancelled)
 - 12. (Cancelled)

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- 13. (Cancelled)
- 14. (Cancelled)
- 15. (Cancelled)
- 16. (Cancelled)
- 17. (Cancelled)
- 18. (Previously Presented) An oral tobacco substitute comprising in combination:

an edible cellulose plant material being 100% cabbage leaves chopped or ground into a grannular form and sized to pass a 16 mesh screen and be retained on a 30 mesh screen of a U.S. Standard Sieve Series of screens dried to a moisture content at or below 8% by weight, said grannular cabbage leaves having at least 30% intact cell walls;

a water soluble but not water containing flavoring ingredient in liquid form and capable of entering intact cell walls of said grannular cabbage leaves; and

an effective amount of a food safe humectant.

- 19. (Original) A tobacco substitute according to claim 18, wherein said cellulosic plant material is formed into strands.
- 20. (Original) A tobacco substitute according to claim 18, wherein said cellulosic material is in a granular form.
 - 21. (Cancelled)
- 22. (Previously Presented) A tobacco substitute according to claim 18, wherein said grannular cabbage is sized to pass a 16 mesh screen and be retained in a 20 mesh screen.
- 23. (Currently Amended) A tobacco substitute according to claim 18-21, wherein said grannular cabbage is sized to pass a 20 mesh screen and be retained on a 30 mesh screen.
- 24. (Original) A tobacco substitute according to claim 18, wherein said humectant is selected from the group consisting of propylene glycol and glycerin.
- 25. (Original) A tobacco substitute according to claim 18, including a minor amount of a sweetening agent.
- 26. (Previously Presented) A tobacco substitute according to claim 18, wherein said cabbage leaves are freeze dried green cabbage classified as Brassica oleracea capitata.
 - 27. (Cancelled)
 - 28. (Cancelled)
 - 29. (Cancelled)

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- 30. (Cancelled)
- (Cancelled) 31.
- (Cancelled) 32.
- (Cancelled) 33.
- (Cancelled) 34.
- (Cancelled) 35.